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For Immediate Release

To: Interested Youth Organization

The Surry County Office on Youth will host its "2nd Annual Youth Civic Engagement Retreat 2012" for key leaders and youth on Saturday, August 4, 2012 from 9:00 AM—1:30 PM at the Eastover Retreat Center, 601 Eastover Drive, Spring Grove, VA 23881.

We are requesting your presence and participation at this event, which our theme is "Youth Leaders M.O.V.E". We invite youth ages, 10 through 21 years old, who have some leadership skills and who are interested in becoming a more effective advocate in their community. Our goal is to have youth and adult participation at various levels of leadership and who represent our county and localities surrounding Surry. From our experience, the real benefit is that when we engage youth in things that matter, it builds a better community. We hope to have at least 60 youth and 40 adult leaders present to actively participate in this event. Last year, we had 50 enthusiastic youth and adult participants.

Our early registration fee is \$7.00 and general registration will be \$10.00. This fee includes a continental breakfast, luncheon, and informational materials. Pre-registrations must be received on the attached form, along with the registration fee(s), by **Monday**, **July 23**, **2012**. Final registrations and fees are required by Monday, July 30, 2012. (Unfortunately, Registrations will NOT be accepted at the door).

Supporting this major event will be beneficial to everyone, so please attend with your youth!